

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/841,284	VINEGAR ET AL.
	Examiner George Suchfield	Art Unit 3672

All Participants:

Status of Application: pending

(1) George Suchfield.

(3) _____.

(2) David W. Quimby.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 25 August 2004

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

None

Claims discussed:

2193

Prior art documents discussed:

US 6,745,831, from applicant's SN 09/841,491

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: It was observed that pending claim 2193 conflicted with claim 210 of applicant's copending application 09/841,491, now US 6,745,831, insofar as no patentable distinction seen between a hydrocarbon formation and a coal formation. Thus, applicant was advised that a terminal disclaimer would be required against said US 6,745,831, before the pending case could be allowed..